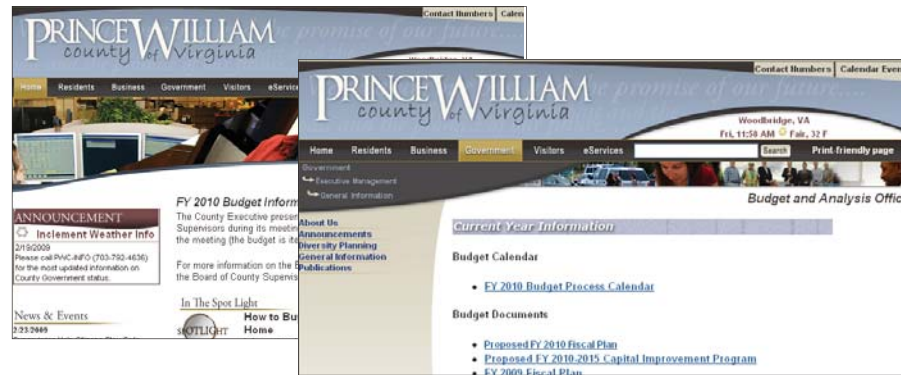


Prince William County Agencies

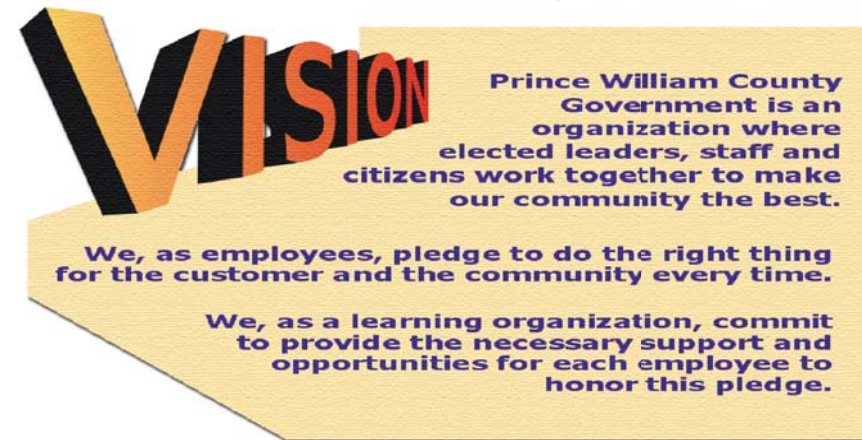
- Adult Detention Center
- Area Agency on Aging
- At-Risk Youth and Family Services
- Board of County Supervisors
- Circuit Court Judges
- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Commonwealth's Attorney
- Community Services
- Cooperative Extension
- County Attorney
- Criminal Justice Services
- Department of Development Service
- Department of Economic Development
- Office of Executive Management
- Finance Department
- Fire and Rescue Department
- General District Court
- General Registrar
- Office of Housing and Community Development
- Human Rights Commission
- Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court
- Juvenile Court Service Unit
- Law Library
- Magistrates
- Office of Information Technology
- Planning Office
- Police Department
- Public Health
- Public Library System
- Public Safety Communications
- Public Works
- School Age Care
- Sheriff
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Transportation

For more information:

www.pwcgov.org/budget



Prince William County Government Organization



Prince William County Government - Office of Executive Management

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The FY 2010 Fiscal Plan and other budget information is available online at <http://www.pwcgov.org/budget>. If you have any questions about the budget, please email budget@pwcgov.org.

Information about the budget is available by calling the Office of Executive Management/Budget and Analysis Office at (703) 792-6720 from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday - Friday or by visiting the office at the McCoart Building, 1 County Complex Court, Suite 200, Prince William, Virginia 22192.

Reference copies of the budget document are also available at all Prince William County Public Libraries.

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PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

FY 2010 FISCAL PLAN In Brief



Economic Outlook

Clearly, the County is in the midst of the worst recession we have seen in many decades. In 2008, Prince William County's economy, already suffering through the most severe downturn in the housing market in 17 years, witnessed the impact of that downturn on other segments of the economy. Only three years earlier the real estate market was a seller's paradise, with home values appreciating at double digits annually and multiple contracts on homes being the new standard. In 2006 the number of foreclosures increased to over 280, increased again by over ten-fold in 2007, and more than doubled again in 2008.

The real estate market essentially froze during the first half of 2008, with prices plummeting and very few sales recorded—mostly in the lowest price ranges. And as the year progressed, sales of lower priced and foreclosed properties dominated the market, taking on the characteristics of a fire sale. While the number of houses sold in the County increased steadily throughout the year, posting near-record numbers during the October through December period, the average sale price continued to plummet, so that in December 2008 the average sales price of a home was 39% lower than a year earlier.

The combination of steeply lowered prices and dramatic volume was in large part due to the rapid rise in foreclosed and distressed properties across the County during the year. This aggravated an already troubled real estate market and rippled into other segments of the local economy, notably retail and automobile sales. At-place establishments, jobs and wages slowed or reversed their rates of growth—particularly in trades closely related to housing. Commercial and residential construction projects were cancelled or put on hold and retail purchasing leveled off or declined as the year progressed.

To date, unemployment still holds well below the national

rate. Prince William County continues to boast a highly educated, skilled and adaptable workforce, and the County is still ranked among the top 20 wealthiest in the United States. The challenging future, however, will strain the county's ability to provide services at levels its citizens have come to expect.

Until the cycle runs its course, the housing sector will adversely impact County revenues. Prince William County, as part of the Washington D.C. Metropolitan area and the Northern Virginia economy in particular, has shown remarkable resilience during the ups and downs of the normal business cycle. Challenges are evident in the short term, but the County is well-placed for moderate growth in subsequent years.

In response to the current economic conditions, the Schools and County took the following actions to achieve a balanced FY 10 budget:

- Schools:
 - » Increase class sizes at the elementary, middle and high schools to the maximums allowed;
 - » Defer new schools/rooms additions; and
 - » Defer information and technology projects.
- County:
 - » Freeze salaries - no market adjustment, no pay-for-performance increase;
 - » Defer voter-approved road, park, and library bond projects that are not already underway; and
 - » Defer non-public safety technology upgrades.

PRINCE WILLIAM BOARD OF COUNTY SUPERVISORS

Corey A. Stewart - At Large
Chairman

W.S. "Wally" Covington, III - Brentsville District
Vice-Chairman

Maureen S. Caddigan - Dumfries District

Martin E. Nohe - Coles District

John D. Jenkins - Neabsco District

Frank J. Principi - Woodbridge District

Michael C. May - Occoquan District

John T. Stirrup - Gainesville District

Prince William Community Vision

Prince William County is a premier community where we treasure the richness of our past and the promise of our future. We are diverse and dynamic with a thriving economy where citizens and businesses grow and succeed together. We are a global technology and business leader for the 21st Century.

Policy Direction for the FY 2010 Budget

Execute Board Budget Guidance

- Implement County/School revenue agreement
- Propose a real estate tax rate that:
 - Reduces all residential tax bills
 - Limits growth in commercial tax bills to 5%

Implement Comprehensive Plan Levels of Service

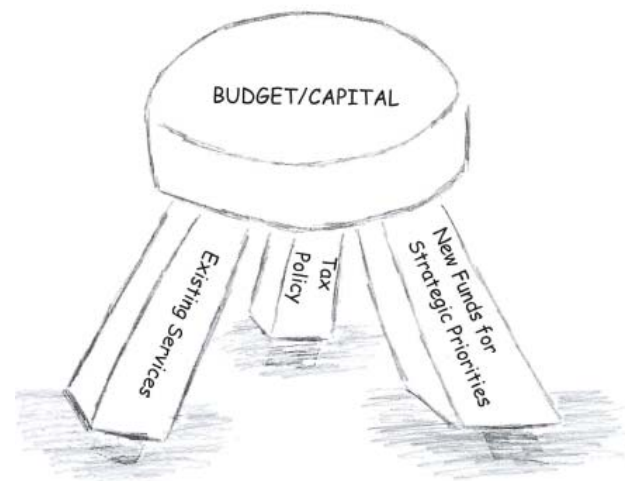
- Fire and Rescue
- Library
- Parks/Open Space
- Schools
- Transportation

Maintain Prince William County's Strong Fiscal Health

- AAA Bond Rating

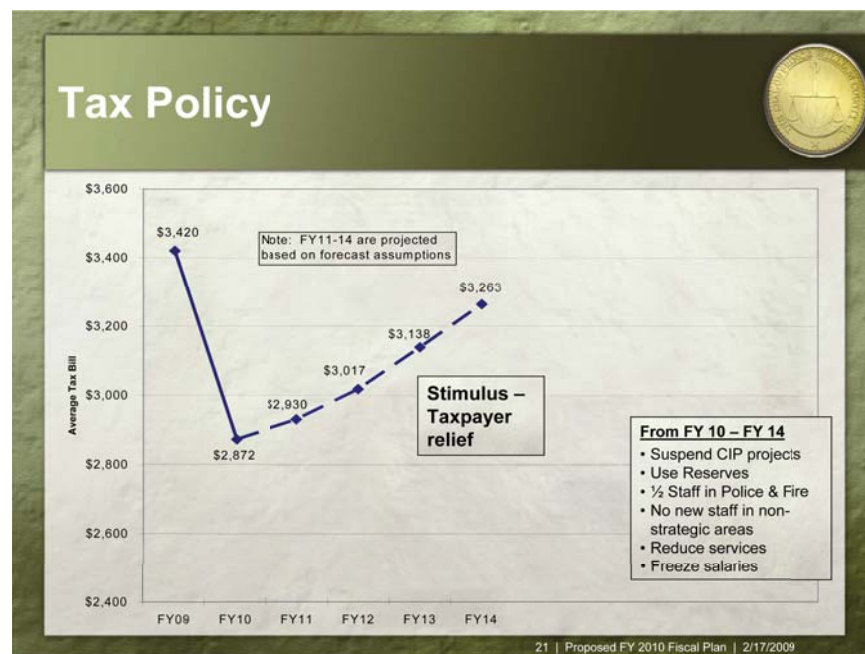
- Suburb of Washington, D.C.
- FY 10 Population est. 415,763
- Eight-Member Elected Board of Supervisors
- Appointed County Executive

Budget Reductions



Balancing the Budget

- Cut Existing Service:**
 - » “Scrubbing” and Operating Reductions
 - » Faster, Better Cheaper
 - » Freeze Salaries/Reduce Benefits
 - » Service Cuts
 - » Financial Management
- Tax Policy:**
 - » Tax Bill Decrease
- Cut New Funds for Strategic Priorities**
 - » Five-Year Plan - Eliminating/Deferring

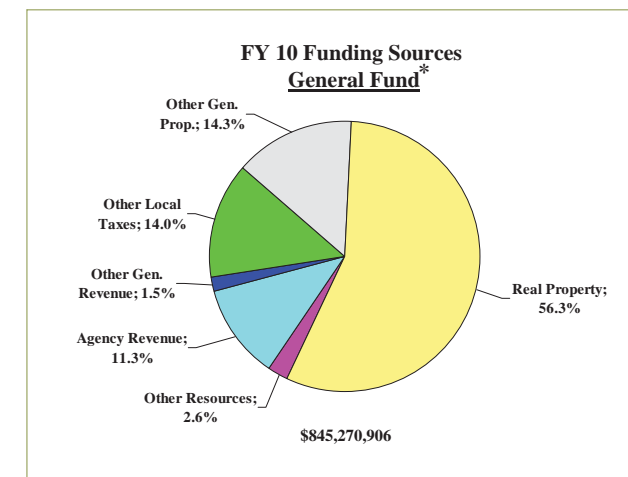


Budget Plan - Next Five-Years

The FY 10 fiscal plan implements the eleventh iteration of the County/School revenue agreement which allocates 56.75% of general fund revenues to the Schools and 43.25% of general revenues to the County. This agreement makes the allocation of revenues in the Five-Year Budget Plan more efficient and predictable. The Five-Year Budget Plan is an important tool for addressing strategic goals and community needs over a five-year horizon.

General Fund Resource and Expenditure Projection

	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
General Fund Resource and Expenditure Projection					
Revenue and Resources:					
General Revenue	\$727,859,700	\$757,699,700	\$798,957,200	\$852,815,700	\$912,074,700
Agency Revenue	\$95,292,973	\$89,335,051	\$89,283,197	\$89,210,098	\$89,014,311
County Resources	\$22,118,233	\$29,371,382	\$22,117,930	\$19,846,232	\$20,024,199
Total Revenue & Resources Available	\$845,270,906	\$876,406,133	\$910,358,327	\$961,872,030	\$1,021,113,210
Expenditures:					
County Government	\$437,437,201	\$449,393,603	\$459,947,986	\$476,231,853	\$499,163,000
Transfer To Schools	\$407,833,705	\$424,506,856	\$447,920,486	\$478,320,610	\$511,779,842
Total Expenditures	\$845,270,906	\$873,900,459	\$907,868,472	\$954,552,463	\$1,010,942,842
Total Revenue & Resource Balance	\$0	\$2,505,674	\$2,489,855	\$7,319,567	\$10,170,368



* Includes School Transfer Budget

